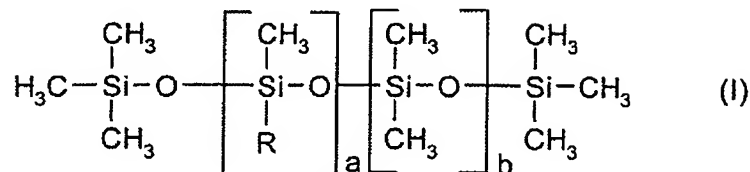


What is claimed is:

1. A siloxane compound of the general formula (I)



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where

R is an unbranched or branched hydrocarbon radical having from 16 to 50 carbon atoms;

10 a is a value from 0.8 to 1.5;

b is a value from a to 3.

2. The siloxane compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein a has a value of from about 1.0 to about 1.3.

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3. The siloxane compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein R is a hydrocarbon radical whose average number of carbon atoms is 30.

4. A release agent formulation with a matting effect which comprises at least one silicone oil, at least one matting agent and at least one siloxane compound according to claim 1.

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5. The release agent formulation according to claim 4 wherein the siloxane compound is present in an amount from about 0.5 to about 5% by weight, based upon the total weight of the formulation.

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6. The release agent formulation according to claim 5, wherein the siloxane is present in an amount from about 1.5 to about 4% by weight, based upon the total weight of the formulation.

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7. The release agent formulation according to claim 4 wherein the matting agent is a wax,
silicate or synthetic polymer particles.

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8. A method for preparing matted, molded plastics using a mold which comprises spraying
onto a side of the mold a composition comprising at least one siloxane according to claim 1
and adding the plastic to the mold.

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9. The method according to claim 8, wherein the plastic is a polyurethane foam.

15 10. A method for preparing matted, molded plastics using a mold which comprises spraying
onto a side of the mold a release agent formulation according to claim 4.

11. A matted, molded plastic obtained by the process according to claim 10.

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12. The matted, molded plastic according to claim 11, wherein the plastic is polyurethane.